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Autumn Term Newsletter – September 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to the new school year. It is so lovely to have all of our children back with us and to be able to begin to reintroduce activities and events that we have had to miss over the last eighteen months. Our reopening has been very successful so far and we would like to thank you for your continued support.

Mr Smith is not currently back with us as he is still unwell but we look forward to him returning back to school as soon as he is able to. We are in regular contact with him and he is enjoying hearing lots about all the great things we have been doing so far this term.

Keeping Us All Safe

We appreciate everything you are continuing to do to support us in keeping our whole school community safe. Please can you continue to support us with the following:

- Please arrive at school for your child to join their line at 8.45am and one adult to bring the children to school to minimise the amount of adults on site
- Do not attend site if you or anyone in your family is displaying COVID19 symptoms.
- Once your child is in a line with their teacher you can leave; this reduces the amount of people on our site at any one time.
- Do not come onto the school site if you have tested positive for Covid 19 – in this case you still need to isolate for ten days and being on site puts everyone else at risk.

COVID19 Tests

If your child presents with any of the COVID 19 symptoms (high temperature, new persistent cough or loss of sense of smell or taste) please keep them off school and arrange a PCR test.

Following the revised guidance, it is recommended that all family members have a PCR test as a precaution. It is only the person who tests positive for COVID 19 who needs to isolate.

The latest guidance for parents can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/step-4-update-what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges>

Swimming

We will begin swimming again on Monday for six weeks until October half term.

The cost for each weekly swim will be £1.40.

You can pay for your child's swimming on your Wisepay account.

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Uniform / PE kit

We would like to remind you that children will be required to wear a blue or black track suit or similar for P.E. These are available from the [uniform shop at De Aston](#) or other retailers. Children will be able to come into school in their P.E. kit as they were doing before the holiday.

If you have any questions about P.E uniform this year please contact Mr Toothill.

School Events

We are in the process of finalising dates for events for the Autumn Term to share with you which we hope to include productions and Christmas events. We will send further information so you are aware of the dates of various events that will be taking place.

Year Two Phonics Screen

We have been asked by the DFE to complete the phonics screen our current Year 2 children later this term. At some point in the future we will administer this test and let you know the outcome.

Safeguarding

Our school takes safeguarding of all children very seriously. If you have any concern about the safety of any children in our school please contact one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads, Nichola Allerston or Angela Parry. [Our Federation Safeguarding policy can be found following this link on our school website.](#)

Parent Support Advisor

We have our own in house Parent Support Advisor, Mrs Nicky Chaplin. She is able to support with a wide variety of parenting. If you have any issues that you would like to discuss with Mrs Chaplin please contact her on 07542 937857. She is available on Monday and Tuesday each week.

Packed Lunches

If your child has packed lunches please make sure you follow the policy which has been written with pupil health and wellbeing in mind. Children are only allowed water in school (no juice, squash or fizzy drinks please), and as always, nuts are not allowed in school due to allergies.

<https://www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk/parents.php>

<https://www.nettleton.lincs.sch.uk/parents.php#Policies>

Food Orders

Please remember to order your hot meal from the school kitchen via Wisepay by the preceding Monday each week. If you have any issues with Wisepay or if you don't have access to the internet please speak to the office staff who will be happy to help you.

Parents' Evenings

We are hoping to hold our parents' evenings on site for the first time in quite a while. The parents' evenings are currently planned for the week beginning 4th October. A separate letter will follow with further details nearer the time.

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Clubs

We are planning to run a menu of after school clubs, starting this term that your child will be able to attend within their year groups. Mr Toothill is in the process of finalising arrangements, ensuring we are following the most up to date guidance and further information will be sent out for you to sign your child up to attend after school clubs. Please note that for Reception children, clubs will be offered from Term 3 (January 2022) to allow them to settle in to school first.

Meeting for Prospective Reception Parents 2022

We will be holding tours of the school during the week beginning 11th October 2021.

If you have a child that is due to start in school in September 2022, please contact the main office to make an appointment to view the school during this week. We are planning to hold our new reception parents meeting on Thursday 14th October from 6.00pm-7.00pm.

We are all looking forward to be able to do lots more things together over the coming weeks whilst prioritising keeping ourselves and our community safe. We hope your child has had a great start to the term and if you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

Nichola Allerston

Acting Executive Head Teacher

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